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GENTLEMEN,

MY Duty to His Majesty, my Regard for the Interests of the Colonies, and my Concern for the Reputation of *Pennsylvania*, have all conspired to my calling you together at this Time; and I do assure myself, that you will joyfully embrace the Opportunity of giving a publick and substantial Proof of the like Zeal for the King's Service and the common Good of your Fellow Subjects. As it has pleased the Almighty to grant a Blessing on His Majesty's Arms, and, after an uncommon Course of Events, to crown the glorious Enterprize of the Government of *New-England* with Success, I conclude that Arguments to induce you to do your Parts, for preserving a Conquest of such Importance, are altogether unnecessary; and that, on this pressing Occasion, your Resolutions will be so speedy as well as effectual, that I may be enabled to give a satisfactory Answer, by the next Post, to the Letter which I had the Pleasure to receive by Express from Governor *Shirley*, and which I have now order'd to be laid before you, together with One, since come to Hand, from Commodore *Warren*; enclosing a Copy of the Signification of His Majesty's Pleasure, by His Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, to the several Governors of the *British* Colonies in North *America*.

July 23. 1745. GEORGE THOMAS.

The Substance of the Letters of Governor Shirley, and Commodore Warren, referr'd to in the Governor's Message, was to desire an Aid of Soldiers, Ammunition, and Provisions, for securing the Conquest made of Cape-Breton. The King's Instructions mentioned in the same Message are general to the Governors of the Northern Colonies, to furnish Commodore Warren, with such Men, Provisions, and Shipping, as he shall have Occasion for, to defend any of the said Colonies, or make Attempts upon the Enemy.

On Wednesday the Assembly came to this Resolution, viz.



"The House resuming the Consideration of the Kings Commands signified by the Duke of Newcastle's Letters to the "Governors of the Northern Colonies, and also the other Dispatches, Letters and Papers, laid before it by order "of the Governor,"

" Resolved,

"THAT the Sum of Four Thousand Pounds, be, and hereby is given to the King's Use, to be paid into "the Hands of John Pole, and John Mifflin, of the City of Philadelphia, Merchants, One "half Part thereof by the Trustees of the General Loan-Office, the other half by the Treasurer, under "the Directions of the Honourable George Thomas, Esq; our Governor, to be laid out by them the said John "Pole, and John Mifflin, in the Purchase of Bread, Beef, Pork, Flour, Wheat or other Grain, or any "of them, within this Province, and to be shipped from hence for the King's Service as the Governor shall "think most fit."

This was sent up to the GOVERNOR, together with the following Message, viz.

May it please the GOVERNOR,

WE think it our indispensible Duty, on every Occasion, to shew our Loyalty and hearty Affection towards our King and the present Government; under whom we not only enjoy our Civil and Religious Liberties in their full Extent, but often meet with peculiar Lenity and Indulgence.

WITH these Sentiments we have taken into Consideration the King's Commands, signified by the Duke of *Newcastle* 's circular Letters to the Governors of the Northern Colonies; and also the other Dispatches, Letters and Papers, which the Governor was pleased to direct should be laid before us: And altho' the peaceable Principles professed by divers Members of the present Assembly, do not permit them to join in raising of Men, or providing Arms and Ammunition, yet we have ever held it our Duty to render Tribute to *Cæsar*; and have, therefore, on the present Occasion, come to the Resolution herewith sent, which, we hope, will give "Publick and Substantial Proof of our Zeal for the King's Service, and the "Common Good of our Fellow Subjects," as well as evidence our ready Obedience to his Royal Commands, so far as we can consistently with our Religious Principles.

Signed by Order of the House, JOHN KINSEY, Speaker.

24 th of the 5 th Month, 1745.

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